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# Princeton in World Service

THE ACHIEVEMENTS AND  
FORWARD PROGRAM OF  
THE PRINCETON CENTER  
IN PEKING



# PRINCETON IN WORLD SERVICE

## **The Opportunity**

Ours is the opportunity to influence three hundred million people along the best lines of development—those in which Princeton men believe. In the heart of China—a nation throwing off its old customs, traditions, government, ideals, and religion, and seeking the newest and the best—Princeton has begun her work. Our activities are among the influential classes; the rulers and the literary men of the republic and the future rulers, the ten thousand students now studying in the forty-four colleges and high schools of Peking, China's educational center. Through these men we may affect the nation.

## **The Method**

In the East city of the capital we have founded the only athletic, social, and religious club in the city—the Peking Young Men's Christian Association. This is in the fullest sense an inter-church movement, established at the request of and working in close co-operation with the five denominations represented in Peking. Chinese leaders of nation-wide influence, such as cabinet members, army officers of high rank, leading business men and bankers, have been organized and direct the affairs of this club, the only clean and wholesome one in the city, with a membership of over two thousand, including government officials, students and business men.

## **The Princeton Staff**

The Peking staff is under the direction of R. R. Gailey, A.M., '96. With him are D. W. Edwards, '04, Associate General Secretary; J. S. Burgess, '05, in charge of Student and Social Service activities; A. N. Hoagland, '06, Athletic Director; and D. W. Caruthers, '15, conducting the International Legation Guards Branch. C. L. Heyniger, Lennig Sweet, E. B. Wall and L. D. Seymour, four leading members of the class of 1916, are spending this year in Peking, and it is planned to send out each year three or four members of the senior class who will benefit by a year of rich experience in the Orient and will also help the work by teaching English and Athletics.

## **Unifying the Religious Forces of the City**

At the request of the five religious denominations working at the capital, our representatives have taken the lead in organizing the religious forces of the city to meet the needs of educated young men and boys. Last spring the average weekly attendance of groups in churches and at our Association, to study Christianity, was over seven hundred.

## **Educating the Business Pioneers**

The only college in North China for the study of modern business methods is our day school of 400 young men, the training ground for the leaders in China's fast approaching industrial age. Another 300 students are learning English, French, or German, and thereby having opened to them the science and literature of the West.

## **Social Service through 500 College Men**

Princeton's representatives have promoted an extended social service program for the city. Five hundred college students are engaged in service such as teaching in free night schools, lecturing on health and moral reform, and studying the social conditions of the capital.

## **The First Social Settlement in the Republic**

Princeton's representatives have founded the first social settlement in China. It is a laboratory for college men to work in.

## **A City-Wide Athletic Program**

We are revolutionizing the physical life of the 10,000 students of Peking by introducing and promoting intercollegiate baseball, football, basketball and track contests.

## **The First Public Playground in China**

Our men have opened the first public playground in China. It is conducted by the voluntary service of college students.

## **Literary Achievements**

The first text book in Chinese, especially written to present the Bible to non-Christian college men, was the work of one of our representatives.

## **An International Service**

Among the hundreds of soldiers guarding the Foreign Legations in Peking, Carruthers is conducting, in a branch building, an International Associa-

tion. By a broad and aggressive athletic, social, and religious program, he is not only of great service to this large group of isolated Europeans and Americans, but is helping them to represent more truly to the people of a non-Christian nation the life and ideals of Christian civilization.

### **A Paying Investment**

The Chinese who are interested in the work see that every cent of the running expenses is raised from Chinese. In Peking last year a budget of \$25,000.00 was raised and \$17,000.00 in addition was secured for enlargements to our plant. Princeton alumni and undergraduates gave \$10,000.00 for the support of their own secretaries. For every dollar given by Princeton men the Chinese gave \$4.20.

### **Yuan Shih Kai Impressed by Princeton's Work**

The work in our East city building has not been unnoticed by the Chinese officials. Shortly before the death of President Yuan Shih Kai an offer came from the President himself, through the Minister of the Interior, to start our work in the West city. The President was just constructing the new and imposing boulevard, running almost directly from the palace gates and, by an opening in the great city wall, connecting the national, official and student centers with the business and amusement sections, situated in the Southern city of the capital.

### **The President of China Gave the Land**

We were presented with a lot within a few hundred yards of the President's own palace gate. This lot has a street frontage of over 250 feet.



L. D. SEYMOUR, '16



E. B. WALL, '16



C. L. HEYNIGER, '16

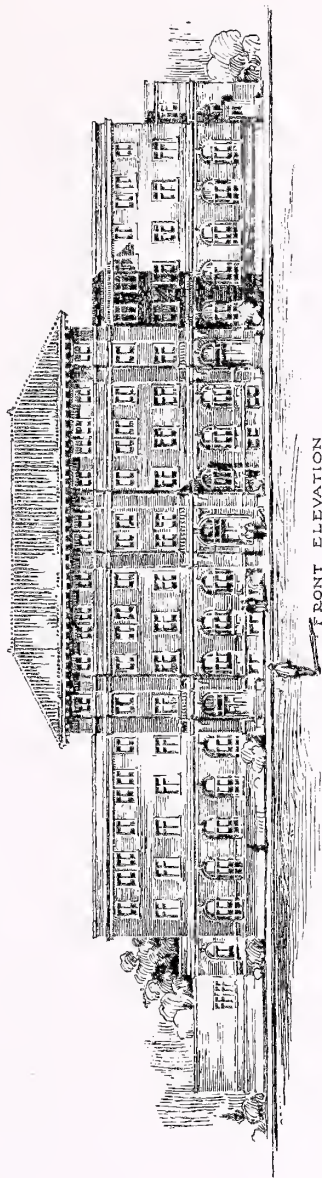


LENNIG SWEET, '16



# STAFF OF THE PEKING YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

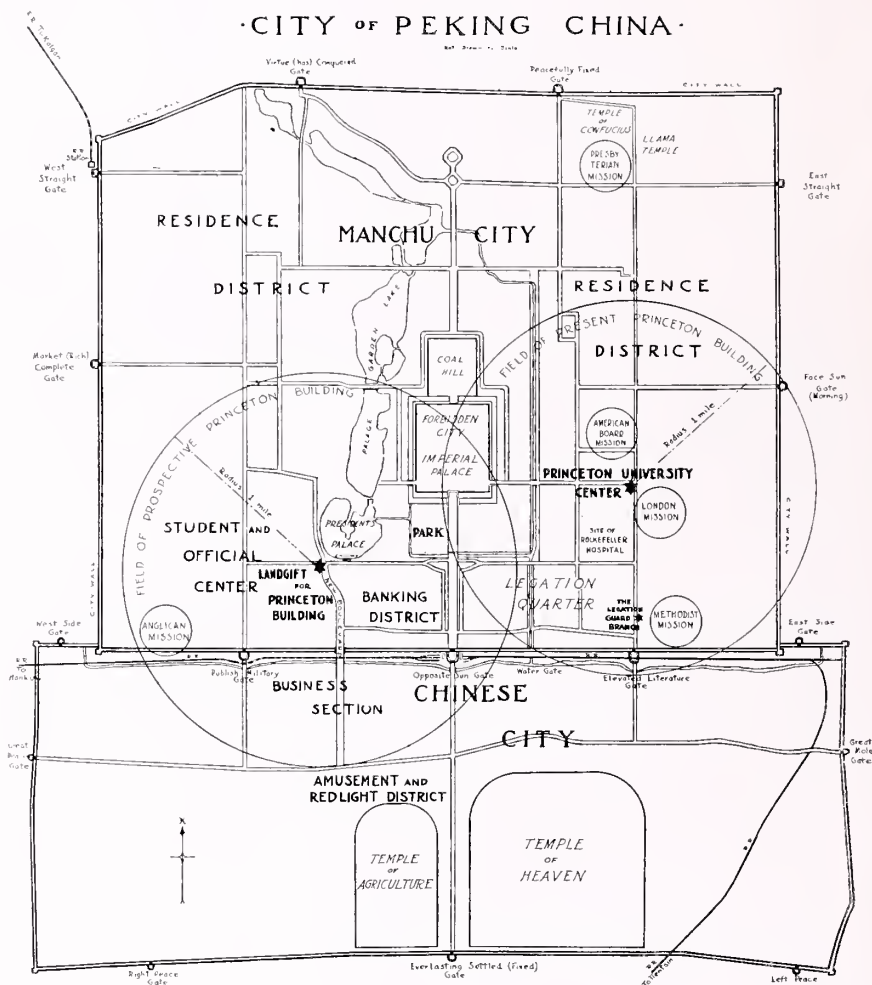
(The Princeton men in the picture are: R. R. Gailey, '97, in center of front row; D. W. Edwards, '04, third from right, front row; J. S. Burgess, '05, second from right, middle row; L. D. Howell, '13, third from right, top row.)



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# CITY OF PEKING CHINA



We are planning to secure the new building for this lot from some interested friends or alumni. It will cost approximately \$150,000.00.

### **The Significance of the Site**

Within the radius of a mile of the new site are:

The President's palace

33 of the 45 government offices

The House of Parliament

The headquarters of the 9 principal banks of China

27 of the 44 colleges and high schools

6,062 of the 10,204 students of these schools

1,607 of the 2,007 large stores of Peking

20 of the 21 theaters

The licensed red light district

50 of the 55 restaurants

50, or all the hotels

We could not in the whole of China pick out a place where our influence upon the leaders of the entire nation could be more powerfully exerted than in this place.

### **Princeton's "Seventh Inning"**

"Not in my twenty years in China," writes Gailey, "have circumstances been so favorable for an advance in our work. The advent of the new President has united the North and South."

### **President Li's Testimony**

At a recent dinner in the capital given by President Li Yuan Hung to David Yui, the Na-

tional Secretary of the Association Movement, of which the most important center is Peking, the President expressed himself as follows:

“The greatest need of China today is the moral character of our young men. The best way to build up the moral character is to give the young men, individually and collectively, the three-fold education, namely, physical, mental, and moral. To my knowledge, the Young Men’s Christian Association is the strongest institution in China that emphasizes the three-fold education in order to build up the moral character of our young men. My policy is therefore to give the Young Men’s Christian Association the best cooperation and support, so that the greatest need of our country can be adequately met and as soon as possible.”

### **Princeton at the Center of Influence**

After a period when the hopes and aims of the new progressive China seemed entirely lost, young China has again reasserted herself and is in power. Great changes are about to take place. It is our opportunity to be at the very center of this movement, as both a preventive and constructive agency, representing the highest ideals of Princeton along athletic, social, educational and religious lines.

### **Men Needed**

The immediate and pressing need is for men. At least three years must elapse before a secretary of the Princeton Center can do good work in the Chinese language. Some strong men are available now if Princeton will send them out. We need

also houses for these men to live in. In view of all these needs, the enclosed detailed budget has been prepared.

The advance budget calls for \$22,616.00 for each of the next three years. Checks should be drawn to the order of Chas. W. McAlpin, Treasurer. Whether they are sent direct to the class representative or to the Treasurer at Princeton, they will be credited to the amount subscribed by your class for this great task of world service to which Princeton men are now challenged. Specify, when you send your check, that the contribution is for the Peking work.



## THREE YEAR BUDGET FOR THE PRINCETON CENTER IN PEKING

(Approved October, 1916, by the Board of Directors of the  
Philadelphia Society)

1916	Present Budget.....	\$11,848.00	
1917	Present Staff.....	\$12,000.00	
	Salaries of three men to go out summer of 1917.....	3,600.00	
	Stenographer.....	1,000.00	
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1918	Present Staff.....	\$12,000.00	
	The above three men—Salaries.....	7,200.00	
	One new man to go out summer of 1918.....	1,200.00	
	Stenographer.....	1,000.00	
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	Two Secretarial Residences and Land for same.....	\$13,000.00	
	Deficit on present Residences.....	2,000.00	
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			\$64,848.00

### SPECIAL SOCIAL SERVICE EQUIPMENT

Portable Moving Picture machine.....	\$150.00	
Social Work films for same.....	200.00	
Lantern slides on Sex Education.....	200.00	
Portable Exhibit on Social Service—Tent for same.....	1,000.00	
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Ford Auto and up keep for three years.....		1,000.00
Minor Equipment:		
Books on Social and Religious Themes for the Princeton Staff.....	\$300.00	
Victrola and records for entertaining Chinese Guests.....	150.00	
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Total for three years.....		\$67,848.00

On this basis the yearly amount raised should be \$22,616.00 each year, 1916-1917-1918.

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